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Number of "Neera" tapping co-operative societies in Salem district.

* 1411 Q.—SRI T. S. ARDHANARI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the number of "Neera" tapping co-operative societies in Salem district?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—"163, Sir."

Appointment of Harijans as members in the Taluk Government Civil Hospital Committees in Malabar.

* 1412 Q.—SRI KUNHI MOHAMAD SHAFEE (on behalf of Sri M. Chadayan): Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether any Harijans have been appointed as members in any of the Taluk Government Civil Hospital Committees in Malabar and, if so, in which?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—"None, Sir."

Delay in the payment of salary to the District Board Elementary School teachers, Malabar.

11.40 a.m. * 1413 Q.—SRI N. GOPALA MENON: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representations were received by the Government from the Malabar District Board Elementary School Teachers' Union that salaries of teachers are not being regularly paid; and

(b) if so, what steps the Government propose to take to ensure their prompt payment?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—"(a) & (b) The hon. Member's attention is invited to the answer given to Legislative Assembly starred question No. 965 (1879) put by the hon. Sri M. Narayana Kurup answered on 19th May 1954."

Eviction of Harijans in Panjetti village, Ponneri taluk.

* 1414 Q.—SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Tahsildar of Ponneri issued orders recently for the eviction of 47 Harijan families in Panjetti village, Ponneri taluk, from 40 acres of land of which they had been in possession for the past six years; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to assign the said lands to the said Harijans?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"(a) The occupations in 26·70 acres in Panjetti Thangal were ordered to be evicted because they were objectionable.

"(b) No, Sir."